# MINUTES OF THE TURNERS HILL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> APRIL 2024 AT THE ARK

PRESENT: Cllr B Forbes (Chairman) Cllr S Hughesdon (Vice Chairman) Cllr P Coote Cllr J Forbes Cllr I Gibson Cllr C Jarvis Cllr G Marsh Cllr B Theobald, Mrs L Bannister (Clerk) and 7 members of the public

#### 201 Apologies None

202 <u>Declarations of Personal and Disclosable Pecuniary Interests</u> Cllr Marsh Declared an Interest in Item 7, DM/24/0540, as this is likely to be heard by the Planning Committee at MSDC.

# 203 Public Participation

A member of the public spoke on behalf of the Rowfant Society, which represents residents on Wallage Lane and around the back of the hamlet. They objected to application DM/24/0540 based on suitability of the lane for transport to and from the centre, unsustainability and lack of need.

The applicant spoke in support, explaining that the previous application was withdrawn on advice from MSDC. Additional information has been added to the application.

Various questions were raised, and residents were advised to raise their objections direct to MSDC and their District Councillors.

#### 204 Chairman's Announcements

Cllr B Forbes and Cllr J Forbes attended the Mid Sussex Applauds Awards. Lee Aggett received a commendation, and Tina Shea was highly commended for her work with the Brownies over the last 47 years. Special mention was given to the young hero of the year, Bodhi Peckham.

205 <u>The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting</u> held on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024 were approved, and signed by the Chairman.

# 206 Matters currently being pursued by the Clerk

Queen Victoria Hospital has not yet confirmed whether they can speak at the Annual Parish Assembly.

Willow Class from Turners Hill School will attend the raising of the D-Day flag on 6<sup>th</sup> June. They will prepare some work to show and do a reading. Rev. Keyte will also attend to do a short reading.

The email to the Highways Manager about the 20mph zone decision has been sent.

A meeting has been arranged with Turners Hill School to discuss the ideas raised by the Roads and Vehicle Working Group.

Planning application DM/24/0230 will be considered by Planning Committee on 11<sup>th</sup> April. This application is recommended for permission.

The grit bins by the Village Green and on North Street are now in situ.

The first stage of repairs to the street lights is complete, with the second stage due soon.

# 207 Planning Applications

It was RESOLVED that MSDC be informed that:

*Cllr Marsh left the meeting* 

DM/24/0540 Land West of Rowfant Business Centre, Wallage Lane
The Parish Council supports this application, but would
request that a condition is added that if the development fails
the site should be restored to its original state, and the bus
service should be extended to include local villages

Cllr Marsh returned to the meeting

DM/24/0708 Weatheridge, East Street No comments

#### 208 Report on Previous Applications

DM/23/1864	8 East Street	Appeal dismissed
DM/24/0106	1 Mountfield Court, Lion Lane	Permitted
DM/24/0368	Trees adjacent to 12 Blackbird Hill	Permitted

# 209 Roads and Vehicle Working Group It was RESOLVED to:

- a Accept the notes of the meeting held on 20th March.
- b Apply for Community Highways Schemes to add/replace flashing signs for school crossings and to add a raised pillow on Lion Lane.

Cllr Forbes has arranged a meeting with the Cabinet Member for Child Services to request support.

- c Approve the Walk and Drive in Safety Policy.
- 210 <u>Asset Register</u> It was RESOLVED to approve the Asset Register and insurance coverage for 2024-25.
- 211 <u>Fund transfer</u> It was RESOLVED to transfer £20,000 from the Cambridge Building Society to the Santander High Interest Account.
- 212 <u>Broadband</u> It was RESOLVED to enter a 2-year contract with BT at an approximate cost of £51.95 per month plus VAT.
- 213 Accounts Due for Payment It was RESOLVED that:
  - a The Accounts shown on the schedule as being due for payment be paid;
  - b The Accounts shown on the schedule as being paid since the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> March, be approved; and
  - c The Accounts schedule be duly signed.

#### 214 Correspondence

Sussex Police has offered to run a presentation on online safety and cyber security.

Tina Shea has emailed her thanks to the Parish Council for the nomination for a Mid Sussex Applauds Award. She felt it was lovely to be commended in this way.

The applicant to planning application DM/24/0230 has emailed to ask if the Parish Council would remove their objection to the application. They have been advised that the Parish Council is unable to change its decision, and that it is now down to MSDC to make a final decision on the application.

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm

Signed	hairman
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7<sup>th</sup> May 2024